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Well folks, HERE IT IS!! It's finally finished! I decided to make this a smaller blanket (mostly because I lost patience after the first 10 squares), measuring about 2ft x 3ft. Kudos to those of you who make largegranny square afghans, I don't know how you do it! Thanks to my family who has been living under mounds of yarn and yarn scraps and who have been watching me walk around with this project, using every spare moment to crochet. If you do have the time to make one of these blankets, it would be an absolutely wonderful

baby gift or perfect for a little girls room. But more than that, the color combinations you could use on this afghan are endless and the solid squares are the perfect surface to sew on any time of crocheted appliqué (animals? letters? holiday themes?) I can't wait to see what you guys do with it!



I hope you have enjoyed the series of tutorials posted so far and will be inspired to make your own DaisyAfghan! This is the 3rd and final post where we will talk about how to crochet the border but first lets go over the materials and the tutorials that we have already covered:

Materials used:

- Worsted Weight Yarn • Size H Crochet Hook • Tapestry Needle

I used [Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Yarn](#) in these colors (listed in the order pictured):

Goldfish, Pink, Lamb, Sweet Pea, Mustard, White.



—> Daisy Flower Crochet Pattern <—



—> How to make a Solid Granny Square using the Grit Stitch <—



—> How to Join your Squares and How to Apply the Daisy Applique

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Now lets go over the border. Thanks for all of your [suggestions on my Facebook page](#)! I went with the rows of SC plus the scalloped border and absolutely love how it turned out!

Starting at any place on the edge of your afghan, attach white yarn, ch 1 and SC around the enter edge, join to your first SC. When you get to the places where you joined your squares, make a SC at the end of each join (see picture below).





When you get to the corners make 2 SC in each corner.



Make 2 Rounds of SC in white, 1 round of SC in orange, then pink, then cream, then green. After each round, join to you first SC and fasten off. You will need to weave in ends when you are done.



The last round you will make a scalloped border in white. Attach yarn, skip 2, make 7 DC all in same stitch, skip 2 stitches and join to next stitch with a slip stitch. *Skip 2 stitches and make 7 DC in the next stitch, skip 2 and join with slip stitch, repeat from *. You will probably have to fudge this round a little because unless you are very lucky, the scallops won't evenly align with your stitch count. Don't worry. You can skip an extra stitch or two in order for you to end on the last scallop. Just be sure to plan ahead a little by counting the stitches you have left when you get close to the end. There is a great [Crocheted Scalloped Border Tutorial over at Praying with My Feet](#) <—
Check it out if you need more visuals.





Here are more pictures of the finished blanket!





I hope you have enjoyed all of the tutorials and pictures. Please feel free to post your daisy afghans (or other versions) on my [Facebook page](#)! And if you

are a selling finished afghans, please be sure to post a link to your shop or blog in the comments below.

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I've created a pattern for two different daisy flowers and if you [follow me on Facebook](#), you may have seen me ask which one you like better...Because I can't decide! [My daughters room has a daisy flower theme](#) and I want to make some sort of crochet blanket to match her decor... but I can't decide which daisy would be best.



I think #1 is more groovy/hippie/cartoonish (the 6 petal daisy) and #2 looks more realistic. I was shocked to receive over 2400 Facebook comments about this flower! Thank you! It seems as though most of you like the realistic daisy better (option #2). I think this one is going to look great on a hat and many of you suggested layering two of them to make even more petals and dimension to it – I LOVE that idea! BUT I think I might have to go with #1 for my blanket... Once I decide on the yarn colors I will make a final decision but I think #1 will be easier to appliqué on and I like that the middle puffs out a little. It also looks cleaner and more babyish to me for some reason. When I get going on the blanket I will be sure to show all of you and then of course I will post the blanket pattern when I am finished 😊

So lets get to these daisy flower patterns! Starting with your favorite, #2:

Materials:

- Worsted weight yarn in yellow (for the center) and white for the petals. I used Lion Brand Vanna's Choice in Mustard (yellow) and White.
- Size G crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

Abbreviations:

[Magic Ring Tutorial](#)

Sl St = Slip Stitch

SC = Single Crochet

HDC = Half Double Crochet

DC = Double Crochet

TR = Triple Crochet

12 Petal Daisy Pattern:

starting with yellow yarn...

Magic Ring, chain 1 and make 6 SC in ring, join to first SC, chain 1

Round 2: 2 SC in each stitch around (12 SC)

change to white yarn...

Round 3: Chain 8, *TR in 4th chain from hook, TR in next stitch on chain, DC in next, HDC in next, SC in last chain. Join with a Sl St to next stitch from round 2 and chain 8, repeat from * all the way around. You should end with 12 petals.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

If your petals start to curl in a little, tug at the yarn and give the petal a stretch to flatten them out. The petals should overlap a bit.







6 Petal Daisy Pattern:

starting with yellow yarn...

Magic Ring, chain 1 and make 6 SC in ring, join to first SC, chain 1

Round 2: 2 SC in each stitch around, join to first SC (12 SC)

change to white yarn and chain 1...

Round 3: SC in each stitch around, join to first SC (12 SC) at this point the middle should puff out a little

Round 4: Chain 10, *TR in 4th chain from hook, TR, DC, DC, HDC, HDC, SC in last chain, skip one stitch from round 3 and join to next stitch with a Sl St, chain 10, repeat from * around until you have 6 petals.

Round 5: SC around each petal, making a Sl St in the previous slip stitches (between each petal).

Fasten off and weave in ends.







So there you have it! Two different daisies to choose from and I can't wait to
see what you use them for!

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Before I show you how to make the squares, here is a little sneak peek of my
Daisy Afghan!



I am going to share the pattern with you but will need to do it in a 3-part series because I have loads of pictures, tutorials and instructions to show you. This post is Part 1: Solid Granny Square Crochet Pattern.

I already posted the pattern for the [Crochet Daisy Flower](#) **<— click here for the FREE pattern.**

I chose to use the 6 petal flower, but you could easily use the 12 petal daisy flower as well.



So let's get started with the squares. I wanted something solid and sturdy for this blanket. I knew I was going to need to appliqué the daisies on and needed a square that could easily hold up the flower (something without a lot of holes and spaces) and I also didn't want something too busy. Just a solid background to show off the star of the show: the daisies! After a little bit of googling and poking around on the internet I decided on the grit stitch for

the squares. The grit stitch is just a little bit of a twist on the regular single crochet that leaves you with a tight texture that is firm and dense. I really think these squares would make excellent washcloth or dishcloth as well!



Here is a close up view of the grit stitch!

**Materials:**

– Worsted Weight Yarn.

I used Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Baby Yarn in these colors for the squares: Goldfish (orangish color), Lamb (cream color), Sweat Pea (green), and Pink (pink is not part of their baby line).

– Size H Crochet Hook

– Tapestry needle

You can get about 4 squares out of one skien of yarn.

Abbreviations:

Ch = Chain

SC = Single Crochet

Solid Grit Stitch Granny Square Pattern

Pattern works in multiples of 2+1

Finished size: approximately 6x6.

Chain 25 (24+1), SC in third chain from hook, *skip one chain, 2 SC in next, repeat from * until the end of your chain except you will need to make only one SC in the last chain, Chain 1, Turn.

Row 2-21: SC in first stitch, *skip one stitch, make 2 SC in next, repeat from * until the end of your row EXCEPT you will need to make only one SC in the last stitch, chain 1, turn. *Please see picture to be sure you are making your last SC in the correct spot!*

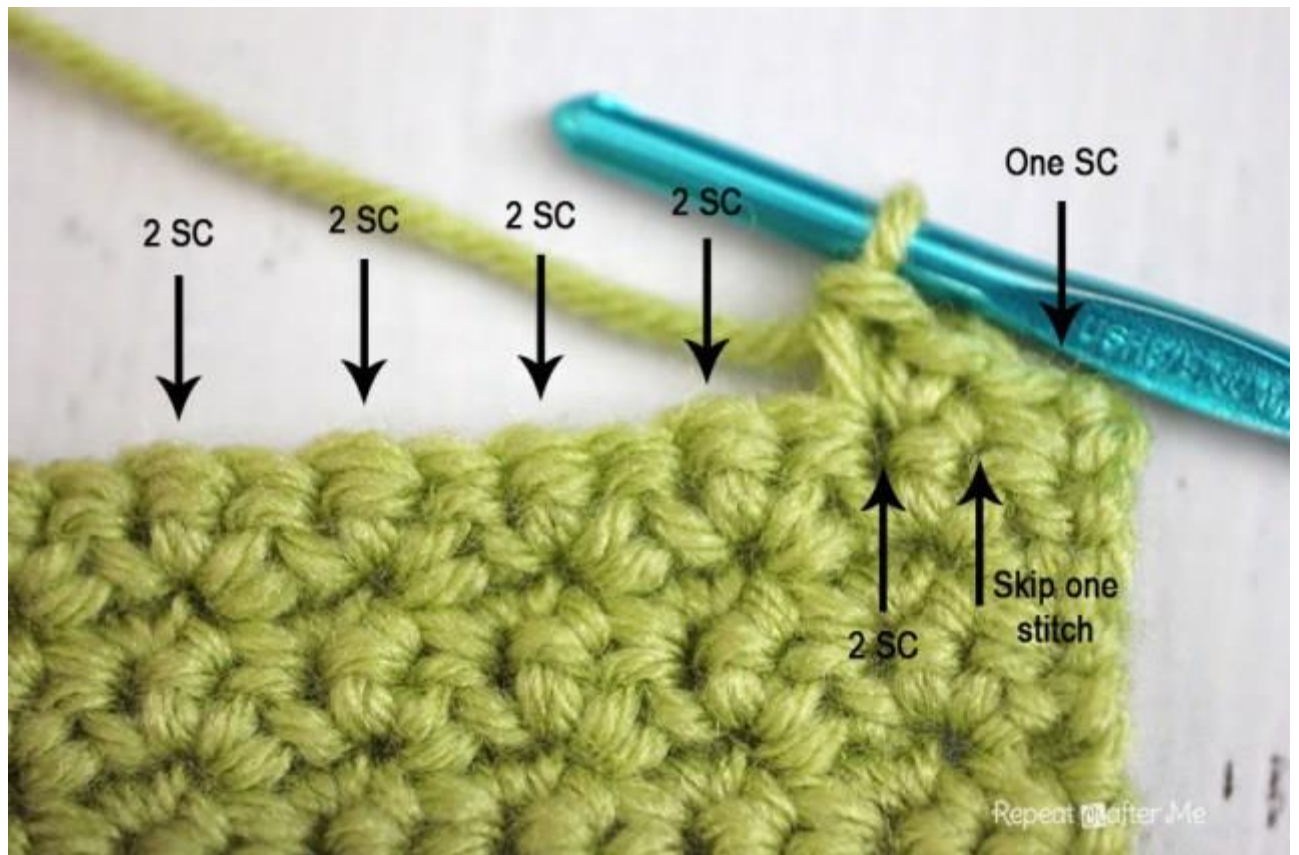
Fasten off and weave in ends.

If you are using this pattern for a dishcloth or washcloth I would continue to SC around entire square for a more finished edge.

Try to be conscious of your tension. You will want your squares to end up being about the same size. I fully admit that I had to frog and re-do 4 of my squares because my tension was either too tight or too loose, causing my squares to be different sizes. If they are slightly off, that is ok, they just need to be in the same ballpark.

This is where you start your row:





This is where you end your row:



Still confused? [Take a look at THIS great video on how to make the grit stitch by New Stitch a Day.](#)

If you want to make the exact same blanket that I did, you will want to make

5 squares of each color, 20 squares total. Of course you can always make more for a larger afghan. I wouldn't go any smaller.



Next order of business is to lay out your squares in a desirable pattern. This was like a crazy game of sudoku using colors instead of numbers. You don't want two of the same color next to each other or in the same row of 4.



Tomorrow I will show you how to join your squares and the best way to stitch on your daisy appliqué! Stay tuned!

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